

# PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE May 1962		2. LOCATION Clinchco, Virginia		12. CONCLUSIONS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Was Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Balloon  <input type="checkbox"/> Was Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Aircraft  <input type="checkbox"/> Was Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Astronomical  <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Data for Evaluation <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local 7-9 PM GMT _____		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ground-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Ground-Radar <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		6. SOURCE Civilian			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 5-6 min		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS		9. COURSE	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Observer with poor eye-sight viewed round objts whitish color for 5-6 min periods over 1st half of May. Eyes would tire after observing these objts. Viewed singly. Looked like balloons. Flight path was slow and random. Disappeared behind mountains. No az or elev given.				11. COMMENTS Pibal balloons released fm airport in vicinity with a prevailing wind would carry balloons over same area. Observer considered objts balloons. No reason to change his evaluation.	



## U.S. AIR FORCE TECHNICAL INFORMATION SHEET

This questionnaire has been prepared so that you can give the U.S. Air Force as much information as possible concerning the unidentified aerial phenomenon that you have observed. Please try to answer as many questions as you possibly can. The information that you give will be used for research purposes, and will be regarded as confidential material. Your name will *not* be used in connection with any statements, conclusions, or publications without your permission. We request this personal information so that, if it is deemed necessary, we may contact you for further details.

<p>1. When did you see the object?</p> <p><u>first half</u>      <u>may</u>      <u>1962</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Day      Month      Year</p>	<p>2. Time of day: <u>between 7:00 to 9:00</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Hour      Minutes</p> <p>(Circle One):      A.M.      or      P.M.</p>
<p>3. Time Zone: (Circle One):</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div style="width: 45%;"> <p>a. Eastern</p> <p>b. Central</p> <p>c. Mountain</p> <p>d. Pacific</p> <p>e. Other _____</p> </div> <div style="width: 45%;"> <p>(Circle One): a. Daylight Saving</p> <p>b. Standard</p> </div> </div>	
<p>4. Where were you when you saw the object?</p> <p><u>[REDACTED]</u>      <u>Dickinson</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Address/Postal Address      City or Town      State or Country</p> <p>Additional remarks: _____</p>	
<p>5. How long was object in sight?</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Hours      Minutes      Seconds</p> <p>5.1 How was time in sight determined?</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div style="width: 45%;"> <p>a. Certain</p> <p>b. Fairly certain</p> </div> <div style="width: 45%;"> <p>c. Not very sure</p> <p>d. Just a guess</p> </div> </div> <p style="font-size: small; margin-top: 10px;"><i>I couldn't watch them any longer. Reminded me of strange air the eyes only 5 to 6 minutes.</i></p>	
<p>6. What was the condition of the sky?</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; margin-top: 10px;"> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>DAY</p> <p>a. Bright</p> <p>b. Cloudy</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>NIGHT</p> <p>a. Bright</p> <p>b. Cloudy</p> </div> </div>	
<p>7. IF you saw the object during DAYLIGHT, where was the SUN located as you looked at the object?</p> <p>(Circle One):</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div style="width: 45%;"> <p>a. In front of you</p> <p>b. In back of you</p> <p>c. To your right</p> </div> <div style="width: 45%;"> <p>d. To your left</p> <p>e. Overhead</p> <p>f. Don't remember</p> </div> </div>	



8. IF you saw the object at NIGHT, what did you notice concerning the STARS and MOON?

8.1 STARS (Circle One):

- a. None
- b. A few
- c. Many
- d. Don't remember

8.2 MOON (Circle One):

- a. Bright moonlight
- b. Dull moonlight
- c. No moonlight — pitch dark
- d. Don't remember

9. The object appeared:

(Circle One): a. As a light b. Shiny c. Dark d. Don't remember

10. If it appeared as a light, was it brighter than the brightest stars?

11. Did the object:

(Circle One for each question)

- |   |     |    |            |
|---|-----|----|------------|
| a. Appear to stand still at any time?           | Yes | No | Don't Know |
| b. Suddenly speed up and rush away at any time? | Yes | No | Don't Know |
| c. Break up into parts or explode?              | Yes | No | Don't Know |
| d. Give off smoke?                              | Yes | No | Don't Know |
| e. Change brightness?                           | Yes | No | Don't Know |
| f. Change shape?                                | Yes | No | Don't Know |
| g. Flash or flicker?                            | Yes | No | Don't Know |
| h. Disappear and reappear?                      | Yes | No | Don't Know |

12. Did the object move behind something at any time, particularly a cloud?

(Circle One): Yes No Don't Know. IF you answered YES, then tell what  
It moved behind: small clouds and mountain tops

13. Did the object move in front of something at any time, particularly a cloud?

(Circle One): Yes No Don't Know. IF you answered YES, then tell what  
In front of: \_\_\_\_\_

14. Did the object appear: (Circle One): a. Solid b. Transparent c. Vapor d. Don't Know

15. Did you observe the object through any of the following?

- |                 |     |    |               |       |    |
|-----------------|-----|----|---------------|-------|----|
| a. Eyeglasses   | Yes | No | e. Binoculars | Yes   | No |
| b. Sun glasses  | Yes | No | f. Telescope  | Yes   | No |
| c. Windshield   | Yes | No | g. Theodolite | Yes   | No |
| d. Window glass | Yes | No | h. Other      | _____ |    |



16. Tell in a few words the following things about the object.

a. Sound \_\_\_\_\_

b. Color \_\_\_\_\_

17. Draw a picture that will show the shape of the object or objects. Label and include in your sketch any details of the object that you saw such as wings, protrusions, etc., and especially exhaust trails or vapor trails. Place an arrow beside the drawing to show the direction the object was moving.



18. The edges of the object were:

- (Circle One):
- a. Fuzzy or blurred
  - b. Like a bright star
  - c. Sharply outlined
  - d. Don't remember

e. Other A very bright  
flame or light

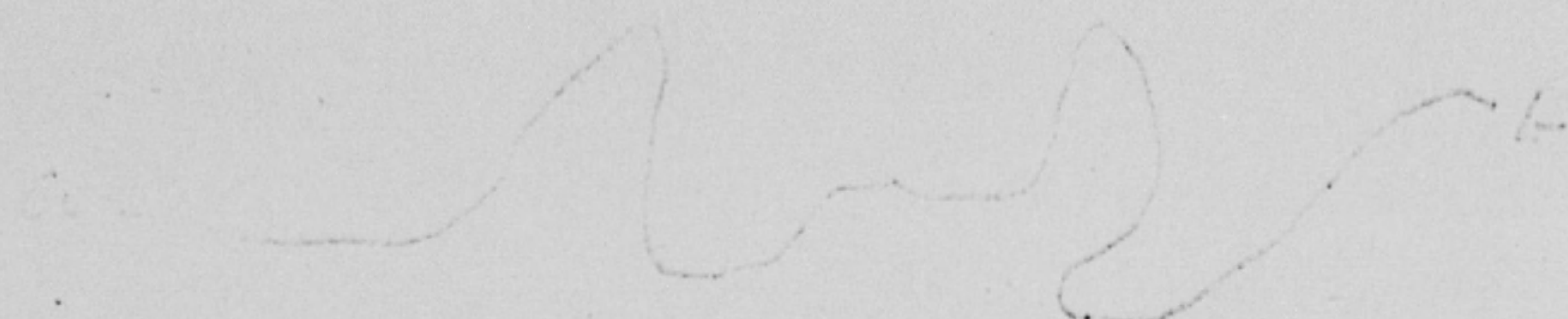
19. IF there was MORE THAN ONE object, then how many were there? Don't know

Draw a picture of how they were arranged, and put an arrow to show the direction that they were traveling.

*They didn't seem to travel in any certain direction they just go past one another then another.*



20. Draw a picture that will show the motion that the object or objects made. Place an "A" at the beginning of the path, a "B" at the end of the path, and show any changes in direction during the course.



21. How large did the object appear to you as compared to an object with which you are familiar?

*about the size of a basketball*

22. We wish to know the angular size. Hold a match stick at arm's length in line with a known object and note how much of the object is covered by the head of the match. If you had performed this experiment at the time of the sighting, how much of the object would have been covered by the match head?

*all*

23. Did the object disappear while you were watching it? If so, how?

*behind a cloud on the mountain top*

24. In order that you can give as clear a picture as possible of what you saw, describe in your own words a common object or objects which, when placed up in the sky, would give the same appearance as the object which you saw.

*a balloon*



25. Where were you located when you saw the object?  
(Circle One):

- a. Inside a building
- b. In a car
- c. ☒ Outdoors
- d. In an airplane (type) \_\_\_\_\_
- e. At sea
- f. Other \_\_\_\_\_

26. Were you (Circle One)

- a. In the business section of a city?
- b. In the residential section of a city?
- c. In open countryside?
- d. Near an airfield?
- e. Flying over a city?
- f. Flying over open country?
- g. Other \_\_\_\_\_

27. What were you doing at the time you saw the object, and how did you happen to notice it?

*Sitting on the porch watching for*  
*nothing.*

28. IF you were MOVING IN AN AUTOMOBILE or other vehicle at the time, then complete the following questions:

28.1 What direction were you moving? (Circle One)

- |              |              |              |              |
|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| a. North     | c. East      | e. South     | g. West      |
| b. Northeast | d. Southeast | f. Southwest | h. Northwest |

28.2 How fast were you moving? \_\_\_\_\_ miles per hour.

28.3 Did you stop at any time while you were looking at the object?

(Circle One)      Yes      No

29. What direction were you looking when you first saw the object? (Circle One)

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|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| a. North     | c. East      | e. South     | g. West      |
| b. Northeast | d. Southeast | f. Southwest | h. Northwest |
|              |              |              | i. Overhead  |

30. What direction were you looking when you last saw the object? (Circle One)

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|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| a. North     | c. East      | e. South     | g. West      |
| b. Northeast | d. Southeast | f. Southwest | h. Northwest |
|              |              |              | i. Overhead  |

31. If you are familiar with bearing terms (angular direction), try to estimate the number of degrees the object was from true North (thru east) and also the number of degrees it was upward from the horizon (elevation).

31.1 When it first appeared:

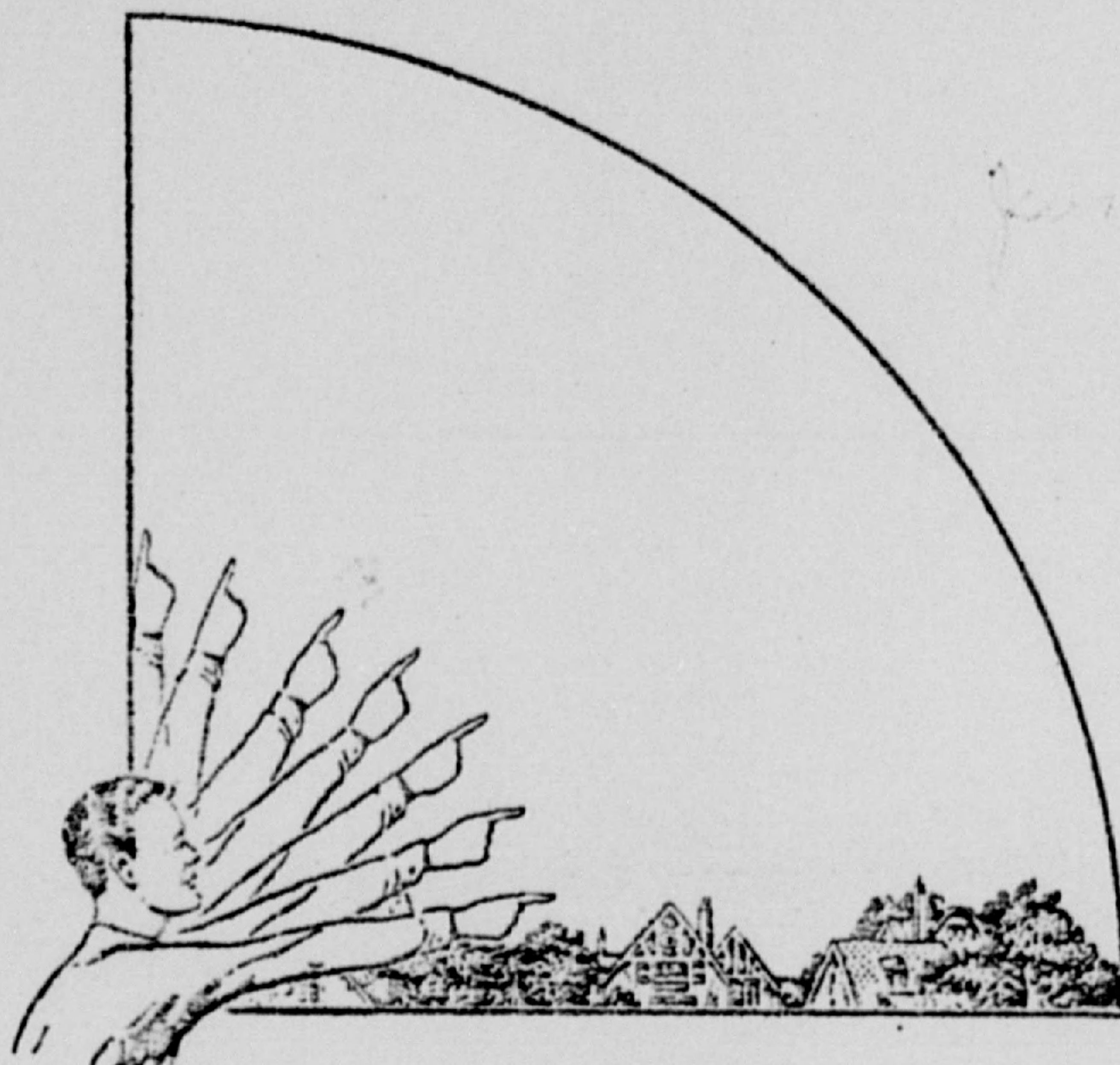
- a. From true North \_\_\_\_\_ degrees.
- b. From horizon \_\_\_\_\_ degrees.

31.2 When it disappeared:

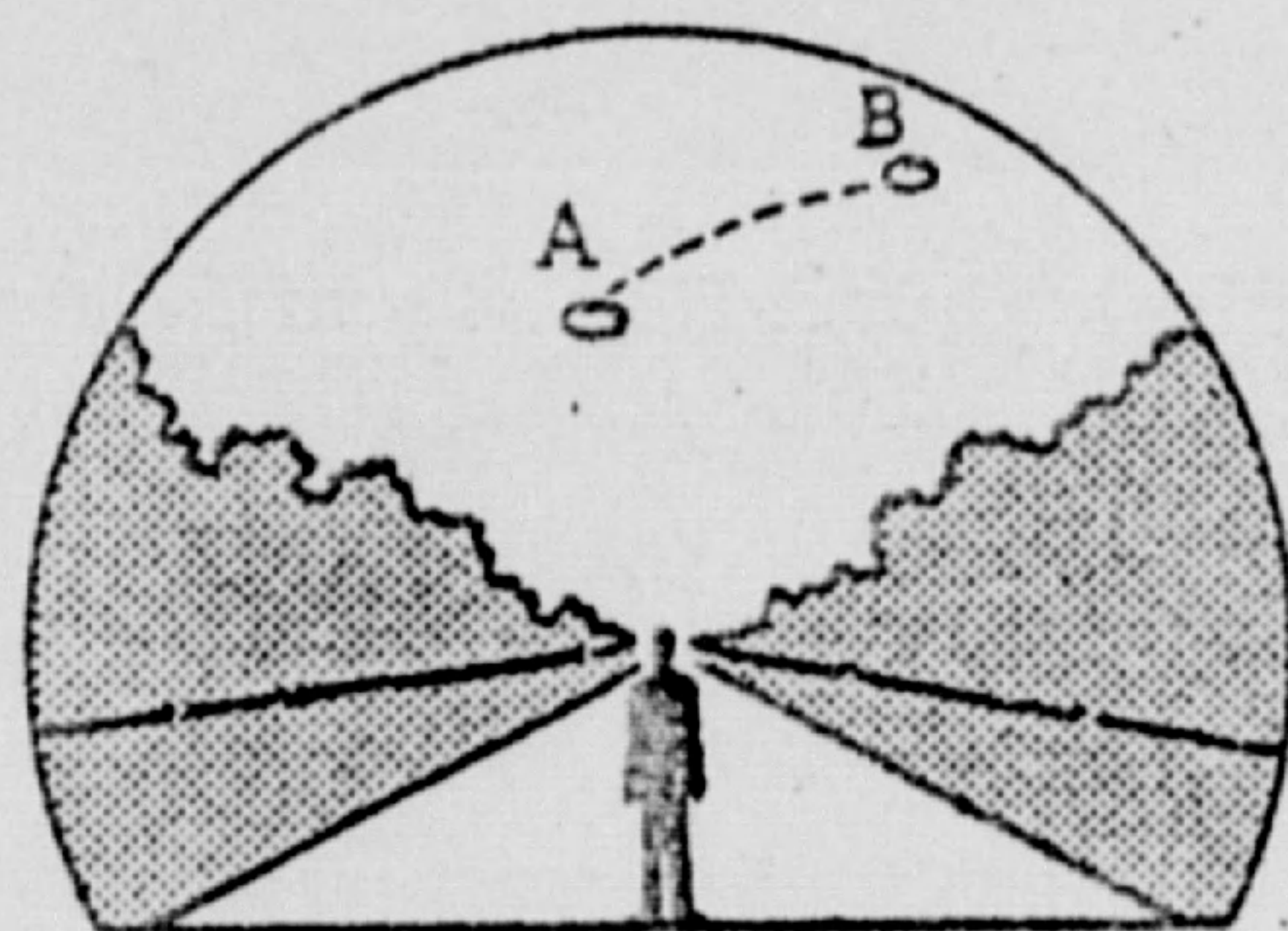
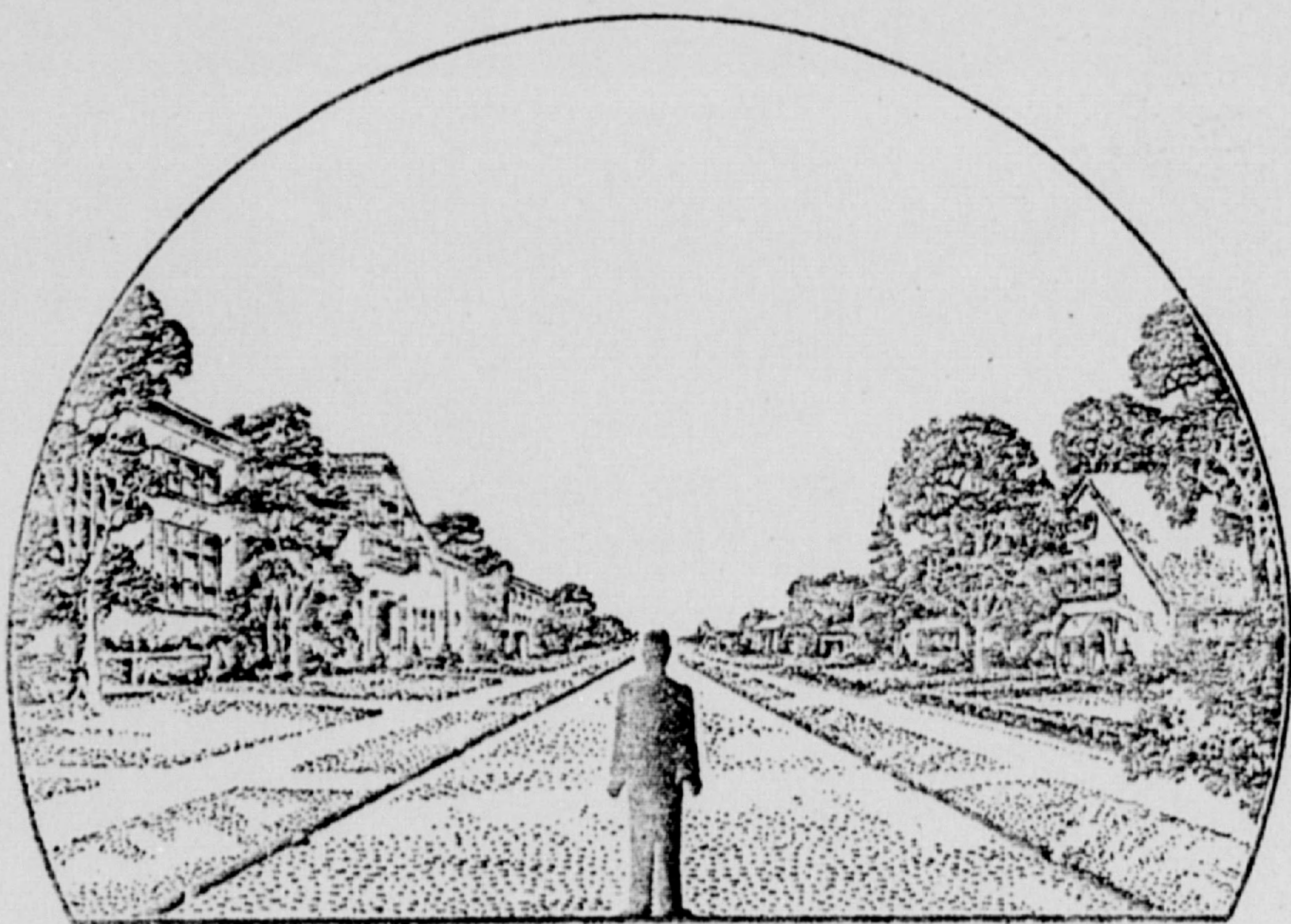
- a. From true North \_\_\_\_\_ degrees.
- b. From horizon \_\_\_\_\_ degrees.



32. In the following sketch, imagine that you are at the point shown. Place an "A" on the curved line to show how high the object was above the horizon (skyline) when you *first* saw it. Place a "B" on the *same* curved line to show how high the object was above the horizon (skyline) when you *last* saw it.



33. In the following larger sketch place an "A" at the position the object was when you *first* saw it, and a "B" at its position when you *last* saw it. Refer to smaller sketch as an example of how to complete the larger sketch.





34. What were the weather conditions at the time you saw the object?

CLOUDS (Circle One)

- a. Clear sky
- b. Hazy
- ☒ c. Scattered clouds
- d. Thick or heavy clouds

WEATHER (Circle One)

- a. Dry
- b. Fog, mist, or light rain
- c. Moderate or heavy rain
- d. Snow
- e. Don't remember

35. When and to whom did you report that you had seen the object?

Day

Month

Year

36. Was anyone else with you at the time you saw the object?

(Circle One) Yes ☒ No

a. 36.1 IF you answered YES, did they see the object too?

(Circle One) Yes ☒ No

36.2 Please list their names and addresses:

37. Was this the first time that you had seen an object or objects like this?

(Circle One) Yes ☒ No

37.1 IF you answered NO, then when, where, and under what circumstances did you see other ones?

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38. In your opinion what do you think the object was and what might have caused it?

*Could have been balloon*



39. Do you think you can estimate the speed of the object?

(Circle One)      Yes      No

IF you answered YES, then what speed would you estimate? \_\_\_\_\_

40. Do you think you can estimate how far away from you the object was?

(Circle One)      Yes      No

IF you answered YES, then how far away would you say it was? \_\_\_\_\_

41. Please give the following information about yourself:

NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
Last Name      First Name      Middle Name

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
City      Zone      State

TELEPHONE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

Age \_\_\_\_\_ Sex \_\_\_\_\_

Indicate any additional information about yourself, including any education, which might be pertinent.

*I am just an old disabled man.*  
*Miner*

42. Date you completed this questionnaire:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Day

\_\_\_\_\_  
Month

\_\_\_\_\_  
Year



**U.S. AIR FORCE TECHNICAL INFORMATION SHEET**  
(SUMMARY DATA)

In order that your information may be filed and coded as accurately as possible, please use the following space to write out a short description of the event that you observed. You may repeat information that you have already given in the questionnaire, and add any further comments, statements, or sketches that you believe are important. Try to present the details of the observation in the order in which they occurred. Additional pages of the same size paper may be attached if they are needed.

NAME

(Please Print)

(Do Not Write in This Space)

CODE:

SIGNATURE

DATE

May 21, 1962

as I said I was sitting on my porch watching for a little while that should have been on the ground at the town a little after night fall. and I saw these other objects I would watch them about 500 feet away but too much steam & my eyes I could see them in the day but not at night when I watched one until it went out of sight it would go behind a cloud or the mountain top. They were Round smooth and white with blue. looked more like small balloons than any thing else I think of that's about all I know to tell you.